

REMARKS

Claims 102-144 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 102-106, 115, and 135-144 are cancelled and claims 107, 112, 113, 121-123, 126, and 131 are amended. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the cancelled subject matter in a continuation or divisional application.

Inventorship/Oath

It is our understanding that Application Serial No. 12/226,818 includes the same inventor as the instant application, and the inventor's correct spelling is "Hon, Lik" as set forth in the instant application.

Specification

In the Office action several portions of the specification are objected to. In response, the fourth paragraph on page 1, lines 24-29, and the first full paragraph on page 2, lines 8-10, have been amended in accordance with the suggestions in the Office action. Further, claims 121-123 have been amended as set forth below. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the objections be withdrawn.

Allowable subject matter

The Office action indicates that claims 107-114 and 116-134 "would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims." Accordingly:

Claim 107 is amended to include the limitations of claim 102, on which claim 107 previously depended, and to provide antecedent basis for "[the] gas vent" in accordance with the suggestion in the Office action.

Claim 112 is amended to depend on claim 107.

Claim 113 is amended to include the limitations of claim 102, on which claim 107 previously depended, and to provide antecedent basis for "[the] gas vent" in accordance with the suggestion in the Office action.

Claims 121-123 are amended to recite "a piezoelectric element."

Claim 126 is amended to delete reference to "PTC ceramics."

Claim 131 is amended to include the limitations of claim 102, on which claim 131 previously depended, and to provide antecedent basis for "[the] gas vent" in accordance with the suggestion in the Office action.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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